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SUBJECT: TRUST TERRITORY FISHERIES RESEARCH

1. BY DIPNOTE E-36 TO DEPT, EMBASSY OF JAPAN HAS REQUESTED PERMISSION TO CONDUCT RESEARCH ON BAITFISH FOR SKIPJACK POLE AND LIVE FISHING IN THE TERRITORIAL WATERS OF PALOU ISLAND, TRUK ISLANDS, PONAPE ISLAND AND SAIPAN ISLAND DURING JUNE THROUGH OCTOBER 1976. THE VESSEL IS THE HATSUTORI - MARU NO. 3, OWNED BY HOKOKU MARINE PRODUCTS CO., LTD AND CHARTERED BY THE JAPAN MARINE FISHERY RESOURCE RESEARCH CENTER.

2. TWO MICRONESIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OR SCIENTISTS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE AND A RESEARCH REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE MICRONESIAN GOVT UPON COMPLETION OF THE CRUISE.

3. SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF RESEARCH IS TO STUDY DISTRIBUTION
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OF BAIT FISHES AND ITS AVAILABILITY FOR FISHING IN

MICRONESIAN COASTAL WATERS AS WELL AS THE ABUNDANCE OF
SKIPJACK STOCK IN ADJACENT WATERS.

4. A DETAILED OPERATION PLAN INCLUDING INFO ON SHIP

CHARACTERISTICS AND RESEARCH EQUIPMENT IS BEING POUCHED.
A BRIEF SCHEDULE FOLLOWS: SAIPAN 3-4 JUNE; PALOU 8 JUNE -
7 AUG; TRUK 11 AUG - 25 SEPT; PONAPE 27 SEP - 11 OCT.

5. USG HAS NO OBJECTION TO PROPOSED RESEARCH BUT
DESIRES HICOMTERPACIS CONCURRENCE BEFORE RESPONDING
TO GOJ. KISSINGER

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